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KC WOMAN INDICTED FOR DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., woman was indicted by a federal grand jury today for distributing crack cocaine.

Patricia Weldon, 35, of Kansas City, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Weldon** distributed 50 grams or more of crack cocaine between Sept. 1 and Oct. 30, 2003.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph M. Marquez. The case was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at www.usdoj.gov/usao/mow/index.html